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SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO BE RECOGNIZED FOR ACCREDITATION

(FRANKFORT, Ky.) – Seven Kentucky public school districts will be recognized on Monday, October 8, for achieving voluntary system accreditation through the AdvancED/Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) accreditation process.

The recognition ceremony will occur at 1 p.m. ET in the State Board Room on the first floor of the Capital Plaza Tower in Frankfort.

Kentucky Commissioner of Education Terry Holliday; Kentucky Board of Education Chair David Karem; Randy McCallon, chair of the Kentucky AdvancED/SACS State Council; and Tom Jones, AdvancED Kentucky director will present plaques and banners to district superintendents and board members.

The seven school districts are:

- Boone County (initial accreditation)
- Elizabethtown Independent (initial accreditation)
- Graves County (initial accreditation)
- Marshall County (initial accreditation)
- McCracken County (continuing accreditation)
- Rowan County (continuing accreditation)
- Williamstown Independent (initial accreditation)

Accreditation is a voluntary method of quality assurance that schools and districts may undertake. Candidates for accreditation conduct a self-assessment, host a site visit from a team of experienced peer educators and complete actions identified by the team. Accreditation status covers a five-year period, and schools and districts are encouraged to apply for continuing accreditation.

More information about voluntary accreditation is available at <http://www.advanc-ed.org/>.